COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE, pursuant to Section 40725 of the California Health and Safety Code and Section 51.102 of the Code of Federal Regulations, is hereby given of a public hearing on November 15, 2017, at 9:00 a.m., before the Air Pollution Control Board (Board) of the County of San Diego, in Room 310, County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, California, for the purpose of receiving public comments on and considering the adoption of proposed new Rule 1206 (Asbestos Removal, Renovation, and Demolition), related amendments to Rule 40 (Permit and Other Fees), and the repeal of existing Rules 361.140-361.156 (National Emissions Standards for Asbestos) of the San Diego County Air Pollution Control District (District).

Asbestos is a known human carcinogen and there is no known threshold exposure level below which adverse health effects are not anticipated. Asbestos is federally regulated through the National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP). The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has delegated NESHAP implementation authority to the District. The District enforces this federal regulation locally through existing Rules 361.140-361.156, adopted in 1995. However, since then, the EPA has made numerous amendments and determinations to improve and clarify the federal regulation. Accordingly, proposed new Rule 1206 reflects these updates and will enhance awareness, facilitate compliance and increase public health protection.

Proposed new Rule 1206 more clearly defines terms, better explains inspection and reporting requirements, clarifies when a renovation or demolition is subject to the requirements, and specifies work practice requirements to limit asbestos exposure. Additionally, to better protect public health, the applicability threshold would decrease from 160 square feet to 100 square feet of regulated asbestos-containing material to be removed. A related minor amendment to existing Rule 40 for asbestos notification fees is also proposed to incorporate this threshold change.

The Board may consider modifications to the proposal, which may be deemed appropriate. Written comments are also invited. Comments should be addressed to:

Angela M. Ortega, Rule Development Supervisor San Diego County Air Pollution Control District 10124 Old Grove Road, San Diego, CA 92131

Copies of the proposal may be examined or obtained at the District's headquarters, 10124 Old Grove Road, San Diego, CA 92131, or by visiting the District's website at http://www.sdapcd.org/content/sdc/apcd/en/Rule_Development/Public_Hearings.html. Specific information with respect to this matter may be obtained by calling Angela Ortega at (858) 586-2753.

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

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